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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners: Ruth Y. Goldway, Chairman;

Nanci E. Langley, Vice Chairman;

Mark Acton; and Robert G. Taub

Sattley/Calpine Post Office Calpine, California

Docket No. A2012-22

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

(Issued January 12, 2012)

On October 20, 2011, the Commission received two petitions for review of the Postal Service's Final Determination to close the Sattley/Calpine post office in Calpine, California (Sattley/Calpine post office)<sup>1</sup> On October 26, 2011, the Commission established Docket No. A2012-22 to consider the appeal, designated a Public Representative, and directed the Postal Service to file its Administrative Record and any responsive pleadings.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Petition for Review Received from Bill Nunes Regarding the Calpine, CA Post Office 96124, October 20, 2011; Petition for Review Received from Beverly Mitchell Regarding the Calpine, CA Post Office 96124. An additional petition for review was received from Debbie and Ken McMaster on October 26, 2011. The petitions will be referred to together as Petition for Review.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Order No. 926, Notice and Order Accepting Appeal and Establishing Procedural Schedule, October 26, 2011.

On January 5, 2012, the Postal Service filed a notice stating its intent to withdraw the Final Determination to close the Sattley/Calpine post office.<sup>3</sup> The Postal Service requests that this proceeding be dismissed. *Id.* 

In light of the Postal Service's decision to withdraw the Final Determination to close the Sattley/Calpine post office, the appeal is dismissed without prejudice. Docket No. A2012-22 is closed.

## It is ordered:

- 1. The Petition for Review of the decision to close the Sattley/Calpine, California post office is dismissed without prejudice.
- 2. Docket No. A2012-22 is closed.
- All outstanding motions not specifically addressed in the body of this Order are denied.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove Secretary

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> United States Postal Service Notice Withdrawing Final Determination, January 5, 2012.

## CONCURRING OPINION OF CHAIRMAN GOLDWAY

The transparency and accountability built into the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act obligates the Postal Service to provide information on the reasons for the reversal of its Final Determination to close or consolidate a post office.

It is in the public's best interest for the Postal Service to provide information as to why the Final Determination is being withdrawn. This will help ensure that the closure and consolidation process remains open and transparent as envisioned by 39 U.S.C. 404(d).

Ruth Y. Goldway